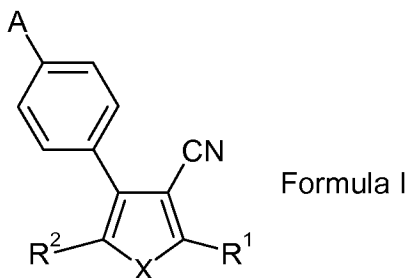


# Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A compound of Formula I:



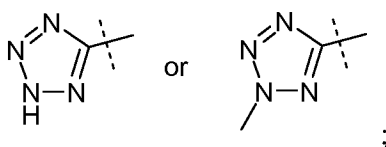
wherein

X represents S;

R<sup>1</sup> represents hydrogen, F, Cl, Br, I, CHO, -CN, -S(phenyl), CF<sub>3</sub>, -(1-4C)alkyl, -(1-4C)alkoxy, -S(1-4C)alkyl, -SO(1-4C)alkyl, -SO<sub>2</sub>(1-4C)alkyl, -C(=O)(1-3C)alkyl, NH<sub>2</sub>, -NH(1-4C)alkyl, -N[(1-4C)alkyl]<sub>2</sub>, -NH(4-7C)cycloalkyl, or -N[(1-4C)alkyl](CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>r</sub>N[(1-4C)alkyl]<sub>2</sub>;

R<sup>2</sup> represents—CO<sub>2</sub>H;

R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen, OH, -CH<sub>2</sub>OH, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, -CH<sub>2</sub>O(1-4C)alkyl, F, Cl, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, -CN, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, -(1-4C)alkyl, -(1-4C)alkoxy, -C(=O)NH(1-4C)alkyl, -C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHC(=O)(1-4C)alkyl, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>CN, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, -C(=NOH)CH<sub>3</sub>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>(1-6C)alkyl, -C(=O)H, -C(=O)(1-4C)alkyl, -NH(1-4C)alkyl, -N[(1-4C)alkyl]<sub>2</sub>, -SR<sup>10</sup>, -SOR<sup>10</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, SH, -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHC(=O)CH<sub>3</sub>,



R<sup>5</sup> represents hydrogen, F, Cl, -CN, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>2</sub>, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, -(1-4C)alkyl, or -(1-4C)alkoxy;

R<sup>6</sup> represents hydrogen, -(1-4C)alkyl, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>11</sup>, or -C(=O)(1-4C)alkyl;

R<sup>7</sup> represents hydrogen or -(1-4C)alkyl;

R<sup>8</sup> represents hydrogen, F, Cl, Br, -(1-4C)alkyl, -(1-4C)alkoxy, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>11</sup>, or -C(=O)(1-4C)alkyl;

R<sup>8a</sup> represents hydrogen, F, Cl, Br, -(1-4C)alkyl, NO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>2</sub>, NH(1-6C)alkyl, N[(1-6C)alkyl]<sub>2</sub>, -C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>, -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>H, -S(1-4C)alkyl, -NHCO<sub>2</sub>(1-4C)alkyl, -C(=O)NHCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CN, or -C(=O)(1-4C)alkyl;

$R^{10}$ ,  $R^{11}$ , and  $R^{12}$  each independently represent  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-(CH_2)_3Cl$ ,  $CF_3$ ,  $NH_2$ ,  $NH(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $N[(1-4C)alkyl]_2$ , thienyl, phenyl,  $-CH_2phenyl$ , or  $-(CH_2)_2phenyl$ , wherein phenyl, as used in substituent  $R^{10}$ ,  $R^{11}$  or  $R^{12}$ , is unsubstituted or substituted with F, Cl, Br,  $CF_3$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-(1-4)alkoxy$ , or acetyl;

$R^{13}$  represents hydrogen,  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-CH_2CF_3$ , triazole, or tetrazole;

$R^{14}$  represents  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ ;

$R^{15}$  represents hydrogen or  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ ;

$R^{19}$  represents  $(1-4C)alkyl$  or  $CF_3$ ;

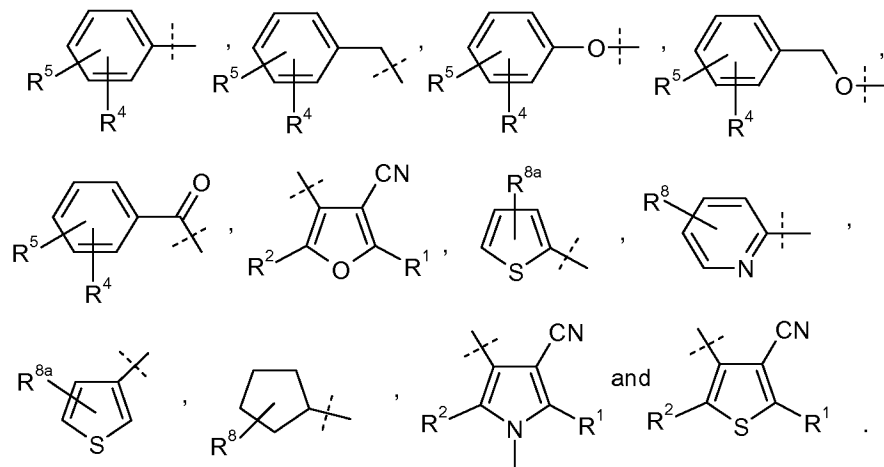
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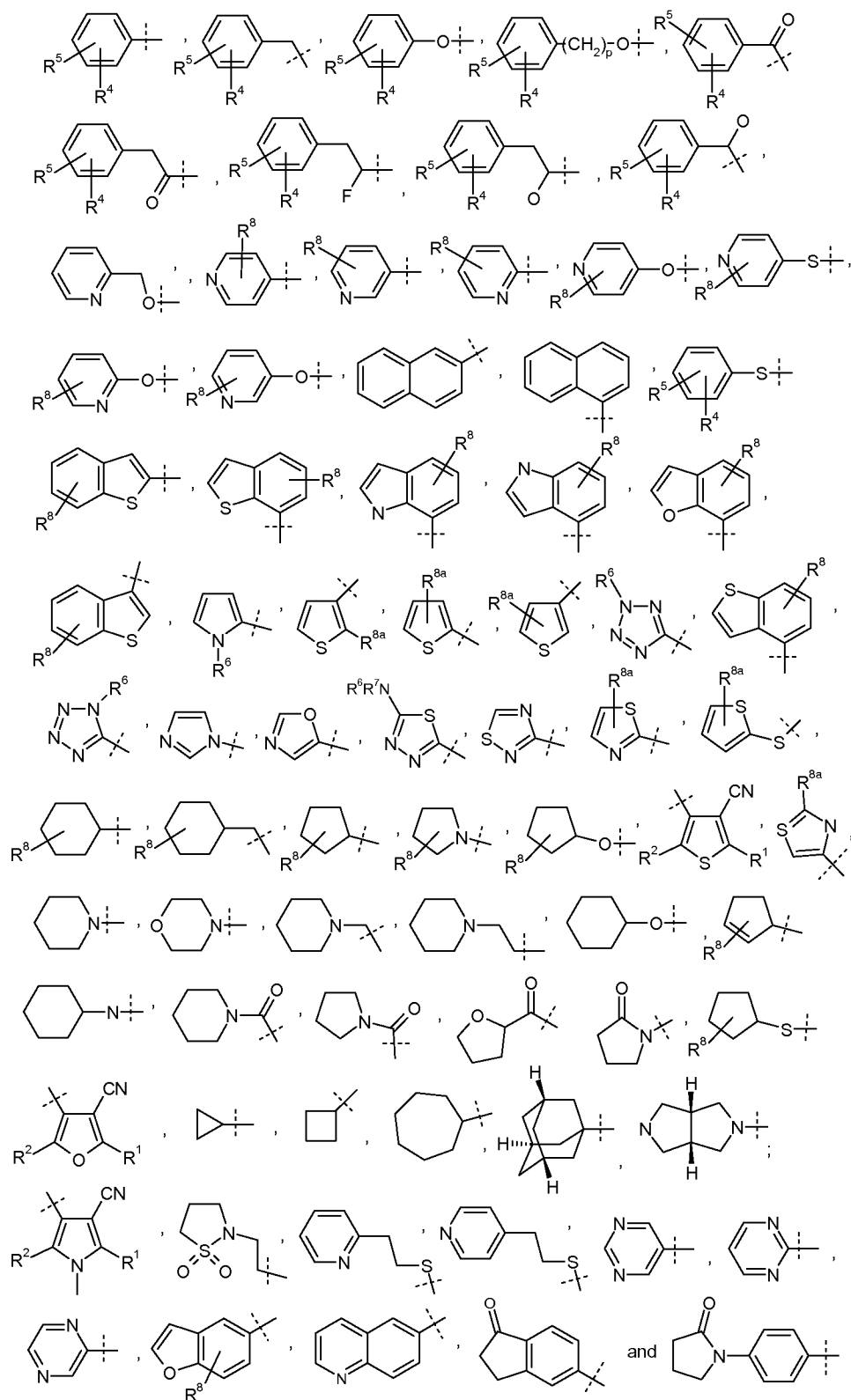
n represents 1, 2, 3, or 4;

p represents 1 or 2;

r represents 1 or 2; and

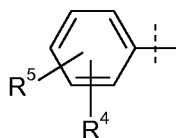
A is selected from the group consisting of  $-(CH_2)_2NHSO_2R^{12}$ ,  $-CH(CH_3)(CH_2)NHSO_2R^{12}$ ,  $-(CH_2)CH(CH_3)NHSO_2R^{12}$ ,





and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, provided that when R<sup>1</sup> is S(1-4C)alkyl, A is not CF<sub>3</sub>, (1-6C)alkyl, or (1-4C)alkoxy.

2. (Canceled).
3. (Canceled).
4. (Canceled).
5. (Canceled).
6. (Canceled).
7. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein A is



8. (Canceled).
9. (Original). A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^1$  represents hydrogen,  $-SCH_3$ ,  $CF_3$ , methyl, or ethyl.
10. (Canceled).
11. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 7 wherein  $R^5$  represents hydrogen, F, Cl, or  $-(1-4C)alkyl$ .
12. - 14. (Canceled).
15. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 11 wherein  $R^4$  represents hydrogen,  $-CN$ , ethoxy, or  $-SCH_3$ .
16. - 42. (Canceled).